Mr. President.—As a matter of fact it was not. It was a compilation made by the Registrar.

Mr. K. T. Mathew *(Kunnamkulam)*.—The report was published as supplement to the Government Gazette dated 27th Vrischigam. I take the words from the Government's answer.

Mr. K. Narayana Menon *(Registrar of Co-operative Societies)*.—It is only a compilation.

9. **Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan** *(Wadakancheri)*.—Will the Government be pleased to state what has become of the recommendations made by the late Mr. Devadhar for the improved working of the Co-operative Department in the State?

Mr. K. Narayana Menon *(Registrar of Co-operative Societies)*.—Vide answer to Question No. 8.

10. **Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan** *(Wadakkancheri)*.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether Government has tried to be profited by any of the suggestions contained in the notes prepared by Mr. Devadhar in the course of his enquiry into the working of the Co-operative Societies in the State;

(b) whether they have taken action on any one of them?

Mr. K. Narayana Menon *(Registrar of Co-operative Societies)*.—(a) and (b) Vide answer to Question No. 8.

11. **Mr. T. C. Iyyukutty** *(Pazhanji)*.—Will the Government be pleased to state what they have done on the recommendations of the late Mr. G. K. Devadhar?

Mr. K. Narayana Menon *(Registrar of Co-operative Societies)*.—Vide answer to Question No. 8.

Mr. T. C. Iyyukutty *(Pazhanji)*.—How many recommendations have been made by the Registrar of Co-operative Societies like this on the report submitted by Mr. Devadhar?

Mr. K. Narayana Menon *(Registrar of Co-operative Societies)*.—I have not made any recommendation. I simply compiled together the notes of Mr. Devadhar.

Medical Institutions in charge of Honorary Doctors.

12. **Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan** *(Wadakkancheri)*.—Will the Government be pleased to state the medical institutions in the State which are in charge of honorary doctors?

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Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao *(Chief Medical Officer).*—1. Cranganur Hospital. 2. Nemmara Hospital. 3. Narakkal Dispensary 4. Anthikkad Dispensary (temporarily in the leave arrangement of the permanent incumbent).

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezahuthassan *(Wadakkancheri).*—May I know, Sir, whether in the matter of running medical institutions through honorary doctors, the Government have got any definite plan?

Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao *(Chief Medical Officer).*—Government have not as yet come to any definite conclusion. It is being tried.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Wadakkancheri).*—Has not the Advisory Board on Medicine and Public Health passed a recommendation that this may be accepted as a principle to guide the policy of the Government hereafter?

Dr. A. R. Menon *(Pallippuram).*—What is your experience of these honorary doctors. Have they been successful?

Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao *(Chief Medical Officer)*—Yes.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim *(Cranganur).*—May I know whether there has been any complaint to Government of want of accommodation in hospitals?

Mr. President.—It is not a supplementary question.

Dr. A. R. Menon *(Pallippuram).*—Have the Government laid down any rule for their guidance in the matter of distribution of beds among the honorary staff?

Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao *(Chief Medical Officer).*—No.

Dr. A. R. Menon *(Pallippuram).*—For the sake of administrative convenience the senior man is supposed to be in charge of the beds; but at his discretion he divides the beds among them. I am only throwing out a suggestion. Does the Chief Medical Officer consider the desirability of distributing beds to the honorary doctors so that they may not quarrel. I am not interfering with the management of the hospital.

Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao *(Chief Medical Officer).*—This point has been brought to the notice of the Government in the case of one hospital at Narakkal, where a new hospital

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was opened only a few days ago. The matter is engaging the attention of the Government.

Mr. C. R. Iyyunni *(Trichur South).*—May I know how long this experiment has been going on?

Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao *(Chief Medical Officer).*—For the last 5 or 6 years.

Mr. T. S. Balarama Ayyar *(Trichur North).*—Does the number of patients in any of those hospitals equal the number of patients in a hospital under a paid doctor?

Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao *(Chief Medical Officer).*—In the dispensaries that are at present being run by honorary medical men, the number is on the increase just like other institutions.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Wadakkancheri).*—May I know, Sir, whether those institutions which are run by honorary men are run most satisfactorily?

Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao *(Chief Medical Officer).*—As satisfactorily as present conditions can afford.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Wadakkancheri).*—With that experience will the Government be in a position to say whether it will be their policy to run medical institutions by honorary medical doctors hereafter?

Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao *(Chief Medical Officer).*—It has to be decided upon further experience.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Wadakkancheri).*—Can I get an answer for the other question of mine whether the Advisory Board has not made a recommendation unanimously like this?

Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao *(Chief Medical Officer).*—The Hon'ble Member was one of the members. I was not a member. We have no right to supply information. We have only to elicit information.

Mr. A. Eachara Menon *(Chittur Rural).*—Have the Government accepted that suggestion?

Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao *(Chief Medical Officer).*—I want notice.

Mr. C. R. Iyyunni *(Trichur South).*—May I know whether we cannot save much money if the honorary system is brought into force?

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Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao (*Chief Medical Officer*).—Not very much, except the pay of the doctors. It can be brought into force when the officers on the paid list retire.

Mr. M. V. Cherian (*Mattancheri South*).—From the supplementary question put by the Hon'ble Member for Pallipuram regarding the distribution of beds, are we to understand that the honorary doctors are to have any remuneration from the beds?

Mr. V. K. Krishnankutty (*Anthikad*).—Is it a fact that the honorary surgeons are getting much more money than the paid doctors?

Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao (*Chief Medical Officer*).—Not that this department is aware of.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan (*Wadakkancheri*).—May I know whether this has not been the practice of the Government to man medical institutions with honorary doctors when vacanies occur when retirement takes place?

Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao (*Chief Medical Officer*).—When retirements of officers have taken place. When menare retired, women have taken their places.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan (*Wadakkancheri*).—But has not this been a policy as laudable as the other is to man the hospitals?

Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao (*Chief Medical Officer*).—It has been once stated by the Government that it has been their policy.

മിസ്റ്റർ കെ. എസ്സ്. പണിക്കർ (*Ezhuvas North*).— ഇപ്പോൾ ശമ്പളം വാങ്ങിക്കുന്ന ഡാക്ടർമാർ റിട്ടയർ ചെയ്യുമ്പോൾ ആ സ്ഥാനത്തു ഓണററി സർജൻമാരെ വച്ചാൽ ചിലവു കുറക്കുവാൻ സാധിക്കുകയില്ലേ?

Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao (*Chief Medical Officer*).—It is possible to save money.

Honorary Medical men—Hospitals and dispensaries of the State.

13. **Mr. A. Narayana Menon** (*Vyttila*).—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(1) the number and names of honorary medical men working in the various hospitals and dispensaries of the State;

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